LITTLE BREECHES.

I don't ge much on religion,
I never ain't had no show;
But I've got a middlin' tight grip, sir,
On the handful o' things I know.
I don't pan out on the prophets
And free-will, and that sort of thing,—
But I b'lieve in God and the angels,
Ever sence one night last spring.
I come into town with some turnips,
And my little Gabe come alorg,—
No four-year-old in the county
Could best him for pretty and strong.
Peart and chipper and ssay,
Always ready to swear and fight—
And I'd larnt him to chaw terbacker,
Jest to keep he milk-teeth, white
The unow come down like a blanket

The snow come down like a blanket As I passed by Taggart's store; I wint in for a jug of molasses. And left the team at the door.

They coared at something and started, I heard one little squall,

And hell-to-split over the prairie Went team, Little Breeches and all.

Hell to-split over the prairie!

I we almost frose with skeer;
But we rousted up some torches.
And saroned for 'em far and near.
At last we struck hosses and wagon,
Snowed under a soft white mound,
Upset, dead beat,—but of little Gabe
No hide nor hair was found.
ind here all soured on me.

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And here all soured on me.
Of my fallow-critter's aid,—
I jest flopped down on my marrow-bones,
Onotch-deep in the snow, and prayed.

By this, the torches was played out,
And me and Iarul Parr
Went off for some wood to a sheepfold
That he said was somewhar thar.

We found it at last, and a little shed
Where they shut up the lambs at night.
We looked in and seen them huddled thar,
flo warm and sleepy and white;
And thar sot Little Breeches and chirped,
As peart as you ever did see,
"I want a chaw of terbacker,
And that's what's the matter of me."

How did you git thar? Angels.

How did you git thar? Angels.
He could never have walked in that at
They jest socoped down and toted him
To whar it was eafe and warm.
And I think that saving a little child,
And bringing him to his own,
Is a derned sight better business
Than loading around The Throne.

GREASING THE COOK'S

There's many of 'em as would be made men of as now grow up to be poor useless trash.

"A peculiar thing about boys aboard of a ship were the animosity they manifested towards the cook. I never know'd a cook yet as were able to git along with boys, and it were ginerally a open warfare between 'em. In the ship New York, when I were into her, thate were a old darkey for a cook as could play the fiddle equal to any man as ever made a duff. There was two boys aboard of that ship as was the most perfect imps of mischief as ever crawled through a lubber-hole. They were onto their second v'yage, which are the most tyliaitous time of a boy's career aboard of a ship, and bein' some sort of relative of the old man, they had extra privileges. The life that they led that old cook were just dreadful. Frequent they'd siyly git on the galley and clap a paunch mat over the funnel, so as to dill the galley with a moke, arter havin' first fastened the doors, so as old George, as the cook

"The semant of the second will be made but this here schooner that we'd nearly run down had picked up believe that that the skipper were a-tryin' for to tell when he passed by us.

"It seemed that the old cook, repentive instantly of havin' chucked the boy overboard, and knowin' that he boy overboard, and knowin' that he boy overboard, and knowin' that he were a fusit-rate swimmer, had jist jumped arter him. Bill's daddy, who was pretty well fixed, had presented the old cook with one of the most splendidest fiddles at hat could be bought, but for all that the old man rejoiced to recover his old cremona sayin', as he took it carefully out of the box, 'the new fiddle am a very fine in the funnel, so as to dill the galley with amoke, arter havin' first fastened the box, 'the new fiddle am a very fine in the funnel, so as to dill the galley with a moke, arter havin' first fastened the boat arterall.'

"This here chap Whitley were kind the rooke, charts or maps."

were called, couldn't git out. Frequent if the cook went aft for any purpose, they'd put a lot of pump tacks along on his seat, and then watch for and enjoy the old man's wrath when he sat down on 'em. Old George on his part neglected no opportunity to git even with the boys, and many a dipper of bilin' water he managed to chuck over 'em. A visitation of this kind one day struck boy Bill full in the face as he went by the galley door, and howling with pain he came runnin' to the forecas'l swearing he'd be revenged.

"That evenin' in the last dog-watch we was a reachin' along on a wind

"That evenin' in the last dog-watch we was a reachin' along on a wind with all three royals set, headin' about west-nor'-west, and this here boy Bill he comes to me and says he, 'Tom, ask the "Doctor" for to giv' us a tune; he wont do it if I ask.' So I says, 'Come, "Doctor" get out the old cremona, and giv' us a tune.' 'All right,' says he, 'sposin' you gits me a bucket of water to put the beans in soak.'

"This bein' done, Old George brings out his fiddle, gives the strings a screw or two, and after an artistic flourish he drew the bow across the strings. No music followed, and Old George's face growed nearly white as, after passing his hand along the bow, he shouted, 'What houn' greased my flddle?' Jist then he caught sight of boy Bill's grinnin' face, and jumpin' for him he caught him and afore any of us could interfere had flung him over us could interfere had flung him over the rail. Then instantly repentin' of the act he rushed aft and went over the taffrail like a shot." "Of course there was the usual ex-

"Of course there was the usual excitement. At the cry, 'Man overboard' the helm were put down, and as the ship come in the wind the lee main braces, main sheet and tack were let go and she were brought to with the maintopsail to the mast. The boats was carried onto quarter davits which was swinged in and the boats was rested on chocks, the falls bein' racked at the davits and the ends coiled snug rested on chocks, the falls bein' racked at the davits and the ends coiled snug in the froth off of his mustache and peering at me curiously through a cloud of smoke, "when I used for to go to sea, was brung up properly on board of merchant ships, whatever they was in the navy. As to how it is now I can't say, but I persames some of the salutary lessons of obedience is still teached. I've heern tell, and don't see no reason for to doubt it, that it have been the ruination of the navy the way boys are treated into it Why, sir, yeu'll hardly believe me, but it are a fact, as can be vouched for by any officer of the navy, that boys is coddled and cared for jist as if they was dogs or horses. Every mornin' they are brung out and stood along in a line on deck, and then the master-at-arms goes along the line with a sheet of white paper and a catcher and tries every boy's head, and next follers the doctor and takes a look at each individual at the davits and the ends coiled snug

paper and a catcher and tries every boy's head, and next follers the doctor and takes a look at each individual we seen nothin of em', but in one of boy's tongue, and last of all the first the reaches to the suth'ard we came leutenant inspects their clothes, any defect, of course, brung out by either a defect, of course, brung out by either and the offendin' boy punished and the offendin' boy punished arter a fashion; but they don't never git properly punished on board of a man-of-war cause it aint allowed-by the rules of the department; consequently the boys grow up to be a sort of pusillanimous set, kind of a cross riwixt a lobiolly-boy and an old woman, and the navy has deteriated.

"Now in the merchant sarvice there weren't none of that fluidle-faddle nonsense at all, but a boy were jist put through a proper course of discipline were all for their benefit and hardened were on our way to the west'ard, all were all for their benefit and hardened were on our way to the west'ard, all were all for their benefit and hardened were on our way to the west'ard, all were all for their benefit and hardened were on our way to the west'ard, all were all for their benefit and hardened were of further than a ce of runnin' down a fabin school to the seales that their course of runnin' down a fabin schooner saw sa bound to the west'ard, all the school house. The fear of Fat.

No doubt it is unpleasant to be exhaulted the true weight of the elephant.

A Bear in School.

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to once. It were rightly said as they got 'more kicks than coppers,' but it were all for their benefit and hardened 'em up to a proper condition so as they was good for somethin' arter they got to be seamen. One old man as I know'd used to be very reg'lar with his boys; he licked 'em reg'lar every Monday mornin' and then as often through the week as they desarved it, which accordin' to him, were about every day. Boys never know what's good for 'em, and he didn't ginerally have the same boy two v'yages, but they never forgot him and always looked back on their treatment under him as bein' the beginnin' of the makin' of 'em.

"I twere in the forecas', how's ever, that the boy got the best part of his discipline, and very few there was but what arter a v'yage to Liverpool in one of the packets could dodge a seaboot if flung at 'em, to all admiration. All this put life into 'em and made 'em playful and spry, as well as respectful to their elders. A boy ginerally were allowed twenty-four hours for to enjoy his sea-sickness, and arter that he be to turn to. This were a marciful provision, 'cause if let alone he'd be sick for three or four days, and as there aint nothin' worse than sea-sickness, of course the sooner he were cured of it the better for the boy. There were various ways of curin'. One mate I were with used to make 'em drink a pint pannikin of sait water till cured. The boy were ginerally well arter one dose. Another mate used to ship a

whatever made the old cook jump right from home, where of course he got no trainin' worthy of the name, were to say when asked why be didn't go aloft, or do somethin' as he'd been told for to do. 'I can't, sir,' and frequent he forgot the last word and simply said 'I can't,' in the which invariable, if in a well regulated ship, he were at once knocked into the lee scupper with the remark 'There aint no sich word aboard this ship as can't,' and one lesson ginerally sufficed; the boy never said 'can't' again, but if or dered to do anythin' he started off and tried and ginerally done it. It would be good thing, sir, for boys if they could have some of the same kind of teachin' ashore as they has a sea. There's many of 'em as would be made men of as now grow up to be poor useless trash.

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of disappointed to have Bill turn up agin, but he done the square thing, and giv' him back all his dunnage be sides claimin' all sorts of credit for havin' taken care of it for him. I'm told that this here cook and boy Bill continued for to be shipmates long arter Bill had grow'd up for to be captain of a ship, and that the old darky were never arter that know'd to have a cross word for a boy."—N. Y. World

The more any one studies the nose, the more he will appreciate its importance. Noses mark the peculiarities of races, and the gradations of society. The noses of the Australians, the Esquimaux, and the negroes—broad, flat and weak— mark their mental and moral characteristics. The striking differences between the African Negro and the North American Indian are sculptured on their noses. In the mingled races and different classes of our own country we find the largest variety, and everywhere, if we but examine, the nose is the index of the class as well as of character. The noses of the aristocracy are not those of the democracy, and how could one more appropriately express his contempt for an inferior than by turning up his nose at him? Do you see the same kind of noses at the east end of the town as at the west? in the stalls and dress circle of the opera, and in the sixpenny pit and threepenny gallery of the minor theatre? at a prize fight and a fashionable evening party? In smaller towns, where social grades are brought nearer together, and can be more readily compared and examined, the contrast is very remarkable. Dublin, for example pared and examined, the contrast is very remarkable. Dublin, for example presents us with a perfect gamut of noses, from the diminutive small potanoses, from the diminutive small pota-to pug to the symmetrical Grecian and haughty Roman. The pug in rags drives along in a picturesque donkey-cart; the elegant Grecian in its stat-uesque beauty, glides past on the side-walk; the Roman reclines in a carriage whose panels exhibit the insignia of ancient rank and dominion. There are Irish faces of children and of savages, simply good or fearfully bad, and there Irish faces of children and of savages, simply good or fearfully bad, and there are also those of the highest culture and refinement. Beauty, genius, valor and nobility have their homes there; but these find their opposites, often in a strange promixity. If you look at the progress of the individual life, the contour of the nose marks all its stages. Who ever saw a baby with a Roman or saviling note of the contour of the c or aquiline nose or even a Grecian's The baby-nose is a little snub, the nose of weakness and undevelopment. The child's nose keeps its inward curve; in youth it straighens, and then comes, in certain characters and races, the bold outward curve of the aquiline or the stronger prominence of the Roman. It may stop at any point in this march of progress and present a case of ar-rested development. And we all feel instinctively that a certain shaped nose is a proper index of a certain charac-ter.—Temple Bar.

mainly depends. In great excess it is inconvenient; but the external laying-on-of-fat is no certain measure of the on-of-fat is no certain measure of the internal development of adipose tissue; much less does a tendency to grow fat imply, or even suggest, a tendency to what is known as "fatty degeneration." It is time to speak out on this point, as the most absurd notions seem to prevail. Again, it is not true that special forms of food determine fat. That is an old and exploded notion. Some organisms will make fat, let them be ed on the leanest and scantiest and least saccharine descriptions of food; whilst others will not be "fattened," let them feed on the most "fattening" of diets. The matter is one in regard to which it is supremely desirable and politic to be natural, adapting the food politic to be natural, adapting the food taken to the requirements of health rather than substance. Simple food, ufficient exercise and regular habits. with moderation in the use of stimu-lants, compose the maxim of a safe and healthy way of life.—London Lan-

and healthy way of life.—London Lancet.

The Oyster at Home.

At a meeting of the Fish Culture Association in New York, Prof. W. K. Brooks of Baltimore gave some highly interesting information concerning the oyster. Experiments were made with the aid of powerful microscopes. The Professor began his operations of thatching in his watch crystal. After impregnating the eggs in moderately warm water the young oysters began to swim in about two hours' time. The shells commenced to grow immewere with used to make 'em drink a pint pannikin of salt water till cured. The boy were ginerally well arter one dose. Another mate used to ship a capstan bar and let the boy heave the empty capstan round till he felt quite well. If there was more than one boy he allowed one to ride on top of the capstan while t'other hove round, and permitted 'em to spell one another every ten minutes. The gineral way, howsever, were to set 'em sweepin' of the decks, touchin' of 'em up in the bust with a ropes'-end once in a while to larn' em for to sveep clean.

"What blessed cures I've seen, sir, under these systems. I've knowed a boy as limp as a wet dish cloth in the mornin' stiffen up and brace up by night so as he could sign his name to the mess kid equal to a old sailor. The first thing a boy larnt aboard of them ships were that there weren't no sich word as 'can't.' One of the most naturalist things in the world to a boy right from home, where of course he got no trainin' worthy of the name, were to say when asked why he didn't go aloft, or do somethin' as he'd been told for to do, 'I can't, sir,' and freguent he forced the last word and simple were they were they and gold for so do, 'I can't, sir,' and freguent he forced the last word and simple were they were been and with the intent of drown-indicated the last word and simple were the were they be contained the containin' worthy of the name, were to say when asked why he didn't go aloft, or do somethin' as he'd been told for to do, 'I can't, sir,' and freguent he forced the last word and simple were that the last word and simple were they were been the last word and simple were they were been to take the last word and simple were than the rest of his dunters to his dunter the accident. He also took aft by the mate sotok aft by the daid of powerful microscopes. The Professor began his operation

FOR THE CHILDREN. THE DEAD DOLL

You needn't be trying to comfort me—I tell
you my dolly is dead!
There's no use in saying she is nt, with a crack
like that in her brad,
It's just like you said it wouldn't hurt reach
to have my tooth out, that day;
And then, when the man most pulled my head
off, you hadn't a word to say.

And I guess you must think I'm a baby, when you say you can mend it with glue!

As if I didn't know better than that! Why, just suppose it was you?

You might make her look all mended—but what do I care for looks?

Why, glue's for chairs and tables, and toys, and the backs of books!

My dolly | my own little daughter! O, but it's
the awfulest drack!
It just makes me sick to think of the sound
when her poor head went whack
Against that horrible brass thing that holds up
the little sholf.
Now, Nursey, what makes you remind me?
know that I did it myself!

I think you must be crany—you'll get her another head!

What good would forty heads do her? I tell you my dolly is dead!

And to think I hadn't quite finished her elegant new spring hat!

And took a sweet ribbon of hers last night to the on that horrid cat!

But since the darling is dead, she'll want to be buried, of course;
We will take my little wagon, Nurse, and you shall be the horse;
And I'll walk behind and ory; and we'll put her in this, you see—
This dear little box—and we'll bury her then under the maple tree.

And paps will make me a tombstone, like th one he made for my bird; And he'll put what I tell him on it—yes every single word!
I shall say, "Here lies Hildegarde, a beautiful doll, who is dead;
Bhe died of a broken heart, and a dreadful crack in her head."

Weighing an Elephant Without Scales.

An Indian writer relates an inter esting anecdote concerning Shajee, the father of the first ruling prince of the Mahrattas of Hindostan, who lived at about the beginning of the seven-teenth century. On one occasion a certain high official made a vow that he would distribute to the poor the weight of his own elephant in silver money; but the great difficulty that at first presented itself was the mode of ascertaining what this weight really was; and all the learned and clever men of the court seem to have endeav-ored in vain to construct a machine of ored in vain to construct a machine of sufficient power to weigh the elephant. At length, continues Little Folks, it is said that Shajee came forward, and suggested a plan, which was simple, and yet ingenious in the highest degree. He caused the unwieldly animal to be conducted along a stage, specially made for the purpose by the water-side, into a flat-bottomed boat; and then, having marked on the boat the height to which the water reached after the elephant had weighed it down, the latter was taken out, and stones substituted in sufficient quantity to load the boat to the same line.

most forgotten. The school-house, meantime, had fallen from the school-mistress's hands, and instead of large boys learning to read and cipher, small boys and girls were taught in the same place knitting and spelling. One Win-ter's day, after a mild fall of saow, the door had been left open by some ur-chin going out, when, to the unspeakable horror of the spectacled dame and her fourscore hopeful scholars, an enormous bear walked in, in the most familiar manner in the world, and

took a seat by the fire.

Huddling over their benches as fast as they could, the children crowded about their schoolmistress, who had fled to the farthest corner of the room; and they stood crying and pushing to escape the horror of being eaten first. The bear sat snuffing and warming himself by the fire, however, showing great signs of satisfaction, by putting off his meal until be had warmed himself thoroughly. The acreams of the children continued, but the school-house was far from any other habita-

cheese, bread, pies, doughnuts and apples, Bruin smelt at the mistress's desk, but finding it locked, gave himself a shake of resignation, opened the door and disappeared. The alarm was given, and the amiable creature pur-sued and killed, very much to the regret of the townspeople, when it was discovered by some marks on his body, that it was their old friend and playfellow.-Advance.

Queer Babies.

After Daisa had seen all the chick ens, and the goslings, and the calf, and the three little tiny white pigs, she asked, "Have you any dollies, Josie?" "Yes; I've got a big wax doll, that papa gave me Christmas, up stairs, put away in the drawer."

away in the drawer."
"Don't you ever play with it?"
"Not very much; Jimmy bit the nose off the one your mamma gave me,
—he is such a mischievous boy!—and I daren't let him touch this one." "Well, you needn't let him touch it -need you? If I had a little brother,

"Well, you needs tet him touch it,
—need you? If I had a little brother,
I'd never let him touch any of my
playthings."

"Oh, you would if you had Jimmy!
I'd never play with anything you
couldn't play with too,—would I, Jim
my?" And Josie gave Jimmy a hug
which nearly took his breath.

Jimmy endured it with the seeming indifference which becomes a boy,
but with a look that seemed to say, "If
I were a girl, I'd hug you too, sister."

"We like to play keep house with
live babies," said Josie. "Wouldn't you
like to play so now?"

"Oh yes; I'll be the mother. Let me
be the mother!" And Daisa, in her
anxiety on that point, forgot to wonder what the live babies were, until
she had followed Josie to the vegetable garden, adjoining the yard, where
Josie began looking on the ground as
if she were lunting for something.
Then she didn't have to wonder long,
for up came Jimmy with a live toad in
his apron.

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"Oh you nasty boy! you horrid boy don't you come near me! go away! screamed Daisa, as Jimmy brought th screamed Daisa, as Jimmy brought the toad up for her to see.

"He won't hurt you; that's our old tame toad. Wait a minute, and I'il find another one," said Josephine.

"What for?" asked Daisa, in dis-

did babies, and you can dress 'em, and do anything you want to with 'em.

There's one! Keep still, and I'll catch

"They'll bite," said Daisa. "No, they won't; keep still! There! now I've got him. Jimmy, don't you drop Napoleon!"—he was the tame toad. "Come on to the playhouse; let's see how quick you can run!"

If Dalsa had been a timid child, she

If Daisa had been a timid child, she would have run in acroaming to her mother; but instead, she walked behind them, wondering how Josie was going to "dress 'em."

The playhouse was an old dry-goods box with a board nailed acress the front to keep the toads in. Jimmy poked Napoleon out of his apron into it, and Josie put the other toad carefully in one corner with a pat to make fully in one corner, with a pat to make it keep still. It was still enough; as passive as if that were what toads

passive as if that were what toads were made for.

"What are you going to dress'em in? they haven't any dresses," said Daisa.

"Yes, they have; lots of dresses! I'll dress 'em up and let you see. O, they look so cute!" said Josie; and, going to a box filled with "miscellaneous," she pulled it over until she came to a piece of red calico and a piece of pink,—round pieces with holes in the middle, and on the sides. Taking up Napoleon and the piece of red calico, she stuck his head through the hole in the middle, and his front legs through the side holes; then tied a string around his waist, and there he was, all dresshis waist, and there he was, all dressed, the drollest looking toad you ever saw. How Daisa did laugh! "Oh, you

queer girl! I never saw anything so funny in all my life long! Won't he bite?" "No, of course he won't!" "Course he won't!" echoed Jimmy.

"What shall we name this child?" asked Josie, dressing the young hoptoad in pink.
"I think 'Josephine,' after you,
would be nice!" said Daisa.
"So it would!" said Josephine, very flattered. "Don't you want her

Daisy thought she had rather have her doll,—she was afraid of Josie's live dolls; though it was nice to have your children move about sometimes when you didn't move them yourself. They

you didn't move them yourself. They were so cuuning because they could run away; then they had to be brought back, and whipped and put to bed.
So for a whole hour they played, and the toads, "Josephine" and "Napoleon" went to school, had a party, and the scarlet fever, and a big dinner, and I'm sure I don't know what else! Then David called them down to the barn, and "toadies" were left to take care of and "toadies" were left to take care Mrs. Dean, Daisa's mamma, followe

Daisa to keep out of the way of horses' heels; for Daisa was a venturesome, reckless little thing. On her way back to the house a toad hopped across her path, dressed in a pink dress, with a scarlet sash around the waist. Mrs. Dean was frightened, as might be expected.

"Yes'm; only I daren't touch 'em; they're too—too—cellar-stony!"
"I don't see how she can touch them!" exclaimed Mrs. Dean, with a horrified look at Josie.
"I don't, either," laughed Mrs. Clifton, with that pleasant little laugh of hers. "When she is sixteen, instead of six, she will be as much afraid of

them as you are." And so she is .- Elsie Locke. Iron leads the markets. It is now

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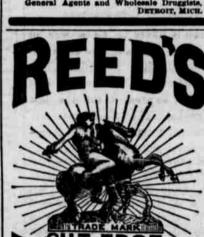
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